

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1 - 4. (canceled)

1 5. (new) A plastic film for coverage with openings for
2 weight insertion at outer edges and being of a predetermined length
3 and width, the length being longer than the width and having a
4 elongated outer-edge zone, the edges being folded and welded to a
5 main body of the film with consecutive lengthwise umbrella welds
6 forming pockets for weight insertion.

1 6. (new) The plastic film defined in claim 5 wherein
2 the elongated zone at each of the edges is 15 cm wide and the
3 folded edge incorporates the elongated zone and is up to 20 cm
4 wide.

1 7. (new) The plastic film defined in claim 6 wherein
2 the elongated zone at each edge is up to 5 cm wide.

1 8. (new) The plastic film defined in claim 6 wherein
2 the folded edge is 10 - 15 cm wide.

1 9. (new) The plastic film defined in claim 5 wherein
2 the umbrella welds are spaced from each other by at most 100 cm and
3 form non-welded openings along a length of the plastic film of at
4 most 20 cm.

1 10. (new) A plastic film for use forming a downwardly-
2 open U-shaped tunnel over a row of plants, the film having:

3 a longitudinally extending center part of predetermined
4 length;

5 a pair of unitary edges of predetermined transverse width
6 transversely flanking the center part and both stretched to a
7 length greater than the length of the center part, the edges being
8 folded up over a transverse width greater than the predetermined
9 width; and

10 a multiplicity of transverse welds at the folded-up edges
11 forming along each edge a row of inwardly open pockets, whereby the
12 stretched edges naturally separating from the center part when the
13 film is formed into the downwardly open U-shaped tunnel so that the
14 pockets gap open and can be filled with material to weight down the
15 film.

1 11. (new) The plastic film defined in claim 10 defined
2 in claim 10 wherein the welds are umbrella-shaped with a
3 transversely inwardly pointing roof part and a base part extending
4 to bottoms of the flanking pockets.

1 12. (new) The plastic film defined in claim 10 wherein
2 the edge is formed above bottoms of the pockets with throughgoing
3 drain holes.